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Tier 2 Consultation Meeting Revised Minutes

June 25, 2010

Offices of the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP)

Lake County Conference Room

Participants: Erin Aleman CMAP

Patricia Berry CMAP

Bill Brown NIRPC (via telephone)

Bob Dean CMAP
John Donovan FHWA
Michael Leslie USEPA
Holly Ostdick CMAP

Ross Patronsky CMAP (via telephone)

Mark Pitstick RTA
Mike Rogers IEPA
Keith Sherman IDOT
Kermit Wies CMAP

1.0 Call to Order and Introductions

10:00 a.m.

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

3.0 Approval of Minutes – May 21, 2010

Mr. Leslie made a motion to approve the draft minutes from the May 21st meeting, Mr. Pitstick seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Minutes were approved.

4.0 GO TO 2040 and FFY 2010-2015 TIP Public Comment

Ms. Aleman gave a brief update on the public comment outreach that has occurred since the last meeting. She stated three public meetings had been held yet only one formal public comment has been received. Mr. Pitstick asked if comments were being made at the meeting. Ms. Aleman stated they were and staff is working to incorporate them in a usable form. Mr. Pitstick asked if the J-Line could have alternatives analysis within the major capital projects. Per FTA rules, transit projects can undergo alternatives analysis without being included in the major capital projects program.

Mr. Patronsky stated a revised copy of the draft conformity analysis and traffic demand model documents were posted on the website.

5.0 PM 2.5 SIP Submission

Mr. Rogers stated the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) will be holding a public hearing at 1 PM on July 14, 2010 at the James R. Thompson Center in Chicago to take comments on the proposed Maintenance Plan and associated draft motor vehicle emissions budgets related to the 1997 annual PM2.5 National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS). The IEPA proposes to submit this to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) as a SIP revision to meet the requirements of the federal Clean Air Act. The U.S. EPA has made a determination that the Chicago area has attained the 1997 fine particle standard based on monitoring data from 2007 through 2009. The draft Maintenance Plan contains the State's plan for maintaining the annual fine particulate NAAQS for at least 10 years after USEPA re-designates the area to attainment. The SIP revisions will also establish new transportation conformity motor vehicle emissions budgets for the years 2008 and 2025 for the nonattainment area. Mr. Rogers stated NOx and PM2.5 will decrease until 2025 but will eventually start rising with increased VMT.

Mr. Leslie asked if the draft SIP was created using MOBILE or MOVES. Mr. Rogers stated MOBILE was used and they will be using MOVES by the deadline for transitioning from MOBILE to MOVES.

Mr. Pitstick asked if there was an issue with reductions in NOx dis-benefiting the region. Mr. Rogers and Mr. Leslie stated that in the past if NOx decreased ozone downwind would increase, but only for the one hour standard. The region received a NOx waiver due to this; additionally the one hour standard was revoked even though the region did reach attainment for the one hour standard.

Mr. Patronsky stated that CMAP has made test conformity analyses using the draft budgets. The 2025 NOx is the closest year; CMAP's estimated NOx emissions are 6% less than the draft budget. For PM 2.5, the closest year is 2040 and that is 2 $\frac{1}{2}\%$ below the budget.

Mr. Leslie asked if growth was assumed. Mr. Rogers stated IEPA anticipated a $1\,\frac{1}{2}\%$ increase of VMT annually from 2008-2025.

Mr. Rogers stated the comment period ends 8/14/2010 and the IEPA will submit to USEPA in September. It is anticipated it will take USEPA 60-90 days to act.

Mr. Patronsky asked if IEPA used 2008 vehicle distribution numbers. Mr. Rogers responded affirmatively. Mr. Patronsky suggested updating this data source when they begin using MOVES.

6.0 Failure to submit

USEPA issued a failure to submit a portion of the SIP required for fine particulate matter to most non-attainment areas. This has no affect on Transportation Conformity. USEPA will be developing a Federal Implementation Plan (FIP) within the next 24 months.

7.0 Revised Ozone Standard

Mr. Leslie states the region can expect revised 8-hour standards by the end of August 2010. He anticipates it will be between .60 and .70 parts per billion. Depending on the standard chosen, Illinois will have additional non-attainment areas.

Mr. Donovan asked Mr. Sherman of IDOT if the state has began to identify resources to assist Peoria and Quad Cities in completing Transportation Conformity Analyses. Mr. Sherman stated resources will be available.

8.0 Other Business

Mr. Pitstick asked what the effects of SO₂ are. Mr. Leslie stated it is not relevant to Transportation but causes acid rain, increased PM_{2.5}, and harms lung function.

Mr. Pitstick requested CMAP staff place the TIER II Consultation webpage under the "other groups" section on the CMAP committee's website.

9.0 Public Comment

There were no public comments.

10.0 Next Meeting

The next meeting is on call.

11.0 Adjournment

On a motion by Mr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Pitstick, the team adjourned.

Tier II Consultation Team Members:

CMAP	FHWA	FTA	IDOT
IEPA	RTA	USEPA	